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SUBJECT: US PARTICIPATION IN PAGEANT-PARADE TO INUAGURATE FOLK ART THEATRE OF THE PHILIPPINES

1. THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT HAS REQUESTED US PARTICIPATION IN A PAGEANT PARADE WHICH IT HAS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 7 TO INAUGURATE THE FOLK ART THEATRE OF THE PHILIPPINES AND TO COINCIDE, INCIDENTALLY, WITH MRS. MARCOS' BIRTHDAY. THE FOLK ART THEATRE WILL BE THE VENUE OF THE MISS UNIVERSE CONTEST TWO WEEKS LATER WHICH THE PHILIPPINES PLANS TO CAPITALIZE ON FOR TOURISTIC AND OTHER PUBLIC RELATIONS BENEFITS.

2. THE PAGEANT IS HISTORICAL IN SCOPE AND US PARTICIPATION HAS BEEN REQUESTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE PHASE OF THE PARADE CONCERNING THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR, THE THOMASITES, AND THE EVENTS LEADING UP TO AND INCLUDING CONFIDENTIAL

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WORLD WAR II. GENERAL RAMOS, ON BEHALF OF THE PHILIPPINE

GOVERNMENT, HAS APPROACHED ADMIRAL SHELTON FOR THE SERVICES OF ABOUT 200 PERSONNEL FROM SUBIC AND CLARK. THE EVENTS IN WHICH THE AMERICANS ARE TO APPEAR ARE ESSENTIALLY FAVORABLE TO THE AMERICAN IMAGE.

3. IN VIEW OF THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE PAGEANT, THE PRIMARY OCCASION FOR THE PAGEANT AND THE LIKELY CONSEQUENCE OF REFUSAL, THE EMBASSY HAS CONCURRED IN BASE PARTICIPATION. SULLIVAN

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